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PLO executes 2 Palestinians

BEIRUT, June 19 (AP). — The Palestine Liberation Organisation said today two Palestinians were executed by firing squad for "undertaking disgraceful acts against the people." A statement by the Palestine news agency Wafa said the two were guerrillas who "used their arms to disgrace the Palestinian revolution." It said the pair "terrorised citizens and extracted protection money," naming them only as Ali Ahmad Salem and Mahmud Dalbiss. The statement said they were court-martialed by a "Palestinian revolutionary tribunal." But the statement did not say where the death sentences or the trial were carried out, although the phrasing of the statement indicated the venue was Beirut.

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Prince Hassan opens bankers meet

AMMAN, June 19 (JNA). — His Highness Crown Prince Hassan today opened the first-ever conference of governors of central Arab banks here with a speech urging the conferees to adopt practical recommendations for setting up an Arab common financial market. The three-day conference is scheduled to discuss this and other important financial issues. See details on page 2.

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Israelis, Lebanese fight it out at sea

BEIRUT, June 19 (R). — Israeli gunboats fought an hour-long battle with two Lebanese coast and vessels off the south Lebanon coast yesterday, the official National News Agency said today.

The agency said the fighting began when the Israelis attacked the coastguards who had just seized a ship loaded with illegal arms.

One of the Lebanese vessels was hit, but none of its crew was killed, Israeli casualties were not known, the agency said.

It said the gunboats seized

Vance on U.S. aid to Africa

WASHINGTON, June 19 (AP). — The United States will increase military assistance to African countries "only in exceptional circumstances," U.S. Secretary of State Cyrus Vance said today.

He assured the International Relations Committee of the U.S. House of Representatives that "any increase in American military assistance will be done prudently."

Mr. Vance testified in response to a request by senior committee members that President Jimmy Carter clear up "confusion and doubt" about administration policy toward the Soviet Union, particularly in Africa.

In his outline, Mr. Vance listed first maintaining a strong U.S. defence. He also said the administration would persist in its efforts to reach an agreement with the Soviet Union limiting strategic nuclear weapons.

the gun-running ship during an exchange of fire which lasted more than an hour, and towed it out of Lebanese waters.

The agency said the gun-running ship had been heading for the coastal village of Sarafand, 14 kms. south of Sidon.

Haddad arrested

In a separate development from the south of Lebanon, right-wing gunmen who threatened to fight United Nations peace-keeping troops in the south said today they had arrested the commanders of the local army units and had taken over their barracks and heavy weapons.

A leader of the 700-strong militias said Maj. Sa'd Haddad and Sami Shidiq were placed under house arrest on Saturday because they had been cooperating with U.N. troops trying to enter the volatile border region.

A militia spokesman said yesterday they would resist any U.N. advances towards their strongholds "to the last drop of our blood."

Western military sources in Beirut said the weekend takeover would have given the right-wing gunmen control of about ten main battle tanks, 18 pieces of heavy artillery and an unknown number of armoured personnel carriers.

Maj. Haddad and Shidiq command about 600 rightist soldiers who have been closely allied with the militias in a long and bloody struggle against Palestinian guerrillas.

The combined rightwing forces took over positions evacuated last Tuesday by Israeli troops in a ten-km. deep belt of territory extending from the Mediterranean shores to the foothills of Mount Hermon.

NCC hears government's domestic policy report

AMMAN, June 19 (JNA). — Prime Minister Mudar Badran today read the government's statement on domestic policy at the National Consultative Council explaining that the broadline of the policy will give the chance to assess and evaluate to better judge two years of continuous work.

The government has strived to counter inflation by providing enough stores of essential goods to protect people with fixed income. The government was able to curb inflation and the percentage dropped from 14.7 to an average of 7.3 during the first quarter of 1978, he said.

Mr. Badran went on to say that JD 765 million were allocated to be spent for increasing local production through the Five-Year Development Plan. Projects have already started to achieve that goal included developing irrigation at a cost of JD 210 million, the potash project at JD 140 million, chemical fertilisers project at JD 130 million, electricity and the electrification of the rural areas at JD 120 million. Electricity output will have tripled by 1983 to supply 130 villages in the Governorate of Irbid, 65 villages in the Governorates of Amman and Balqa, 30 in the south of Jordan, 30 in the Jordan Valley; this, in addition, to the power generated at the Jordan Petroleum Refinery, Jordan Cement factory and the Phosphate Mines Company.

The government has also taken care of wages and for this purpose a ministerial committee was formed to study the different aspects of the matter which included supplying enough labour for the execution of development projects, finding solutions for inflation pressures resulting from the rise of expenses on production which, in turn, affects wages and increasing the participation in national development by Jordanians working outside.

The government's financial policy reflected its determination to continue the development of the country's local resources by decreasing the deficit, economising on current expenditures and the backing of capital spending.

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OPEC meet retains freeze on oil price

GENEVA, June 19 (R). — The Organisation of Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC) agreed today to maintain its 18-month-old price freeze, apparently at the insistence of Saudi Arabia.

Saudi Oil Minister Sheikh Ahmad Zaki Yamani, whose country is the world's largest oil exporter, today said oil prices would remain frozen at least until the end of the year, adding he was very happy with this result.

OPEC last raised oil prices to \$12.70 a barrel in January 1977 and the Geneva meeting heard strong demands from other members such as Algeria, the Libyan Jamahiriya and Iraq for immediate new rises to compensate for the huge losses in the purchasing power of oil revenues caused by the decline of the dollar.

But the semi-annual OPEC meeting agreed to maintain the dollar — the world's price re-

serve currency — as the one in which oil is sold, although a special committee has been set up to study ways of protecting the 13-member states from wild foreign exchange fluctuations.

Irish Oil Minister Teyeh Abdul Karim today said an extraordinary OPEC conference might be called to discuss the committee's findings before the next regular OPEC meeting due to be held in Abu Dhabi on Dec. 16.

But United Arab Emirates Oil Minister Manef Al Oteiba told reporters he doubted whether a special conference would be called and said no action was likely to be taken on the dollar pricing of oil before the Abu Dhabi meeting in December.

The fall in the international value of the dollar during recent months has cost OPEC states about 15 per cent of their oil revenues, according to OPEC estimates.

Israeli decision on occupied lands: No Arab sovereignty

TEL AVIV, June 19 (R). — Israel regards its plan for limited self-rule on the West Bank and in Gaza as a permanent measure that would not lead to Arab sovereignty, Foreign Minister Moshe Dayan said today. The minister held a news conference to explain the reply delivered by Israel yesterday to two critical American questions about the future of the occupied Arab areas.

The reply failed to give the definite assurance sought by the United States government. Immediate Arab response on the West Bank today was hostile.

But Mr. Dayan said Israel did not accept the American view that the self-rule plan proposed by Prime Minister Menachem Begin last December should last only for an interim five-year period.

Under the Begin autonomy plan, Arabs would run their own domestic affairs but would remain under Israeli military control.

"We hope autonomy as it is will be liked by the people and the question of sovereignty will not be brought up," Mr. Dayan said.

"If they so desire they will bring it up. But we see it, and we base our attitude on the assumption, that autonomy is not a transitional way, not a temporary way, but is the solution for the Arabs and the Jews to live together in the West Bank and Gaza."

"That is our concept. We do not see it in any other way. We do not bring up the question of Israeli sovereignty and we object to any other sovereignty. We are against a Palestinian state, other people think there should be a Palestinian state but we don't think so."

The United States had hoped that a positive reply to its two questions might bring Egypt back to the conference table.

First of the questions was: will Israel agree to make a decision on the final State of the West Bank Gaza after five years of the self-rule plan. The second asked what means Israel would suggest for expressing the views of the Palestinians who live in the areas

and who came under Israeli control after the 1967 war.

In its reply Israel undertook merely to consider after five years "the nature of the future relations between the parties."

The Israeli reply was endorsed by 14 members of the 19-man Israeli cabinet after a week of intensive behind the scenes negotiations which at one time appeared to put the Begin government at risk.

The only outright vote against the reply was lodged by Defence Minister Ezer

Weizman who had favoured a more positive response.

Mr. Weizman hurried away from the decisive cabinet meeting with a grim face.

The newspaper Yediot Aharonot quoted him as telling aides later "I am going to prepare the army for the next war."

Mr. Dayan enlarged also on what was meant in the reply

by "future relations between the parties."

He said Israel believed there should be four parties in the negotiations for peace — Egypt, Jordan, Israel and representatives of the West Bank and Gaza Palestinians.

In negotiating the workings of self-rule, Mr. Dayan said Israel believed there should be only three parties — Israel, Jordan and the West Bank-Gaza Palestinians.

World reaction: Israeli reply doesn't help peace

WASHINGTON, June 19 (R).

— Israel's refusal to change its policy on the future of occupied Arab territory met hostility at home and abroad today.

The majority decision of Prime Minister Menachem Begin's cabinet, avoiding any commitment on the eventual political future of the West Bank and Gaza Strip was widely regarded as dimming prospects for an early resumption of Middle East peace talks.

Officials in Washington and London expressed disappointment with Israel's failure to give definite assurances sought by the U.S. government on the future of the two regions.

In Cairo, Egyptian Foreign Minister Mohammad Ibrahim Kamel said his country regretted Israel's "continued intransigence and determination not to respond favourably" to peace efforts promoted by Egypt and supported by the United States.

Israeli newspapers also criticised the Begin government's vaguely-worded reply to the searching U.S. questions, saying the cabinet decision invited an American-imposed settlement in the Middle East.

The Israeli response was attacked by the Arab press on the West Bank and rejected by two leading Arab mayors.

"The Palestinian, will not agree to it," said Mayor Hilmi Hanoun of Tulkerem. "By the end of the five-year period Israel can be expected to set up more settlements on the West Bank and outvote the Arab population."

Mayor Bassam Al Shak'a of Nablus told reporters: "The decision is a continuation of Israel's extreme expansionist policy."

In Cairo the semi-official Al-Ahram daily today accused Israel of procrastination, further intransigence and continuing to challenge the world community.

In Beirut a radical Palestinian commando group said today the reply sent by Israel to U.S. affirmed its adherence to its ambitions and "expansionist" designs.

Commenting on the Israeli decision, Mr. Bassam Abu Sharif, spokesman for the Popular Front for the Liberation of Pa-

lestine (PFLP), said in a press statement released in Beirut:

"The Zionist reply sent to the U.S. yesterday on the future of the Bank and the Strip affirmed that the Zionist entity is not ready at all to give up its ambitions and expansionist designs."

A similar statement issued by the Palestine Liberation Organisation yesterday described Israel's reply as a theatrical act carried out in collusion with the U.S.

Britain today expressed disappointment with the Israeli cabinet's reply.

In London a Foreign Office spokesman said Britain was not a party to Israeli-U.S. exchanges but wanted positive Israeli proposals for the long-term future of the West Bank and Gaza Strip.

"The Israeli cabinet announcement as reported (by the press) does not appear to meet this need," the spokesman added.

The Israeli reply avoided giving the firm decision that had been sought by the U.S. government, he said.

World News Roundup...

Soviet warning over Japan-China treaty

MOSCOW, June 19 (R). — The Soviet Union today issued a fresh warning to Japan about signing friendship treaty with China. Tass News agency reported, in a statement addressed to the Japanese government, Moscow said it would have to make "certain corrections" in its policy towards Tokyo if the concluded treaty contained provisions directed against this country. Apparently the Kremlin message was referring to China's insistence that the pact include a clause condemning hegemony domination of one area by one country. Moscow suspects this proposal is directed against Soviet interests, and has in the past threatened unspecified retaliation if Japan agrees to include it.

Top Soviet generals reportedly in Angola

LONDON, June 19 (R). — The Sunday Times yesterday named 11 senior Soviet generals which it said had been moved into Angola in a "build-up of its top level military planners" in the west African state. It said a build-up in planners and military supplies had produced "fears of a big intervention in neighbouring Namibia (South West Africa)" before independence from South Africa, by Dec. 31. The front-page report from Paris quoted unspecified Western intelligence sources.

Syrians ban 10 journalists from writing

BEIRUT, June 19 (R). — Syrian authorities have banned ten leftists journalists suspected of pro-Soviet views from writing for the government-controlled Syrian press. Arab diplomatic sources said here today. The ban, against the background of anti-Communist crackdowns in Egypt and Iraq, was imposed by the Syrian leadership in the first week of June and involved journalists working for all three major newspapers in Syria. The sources said that on orders from the Syrian leadership, two staff members of the government newspaper Tishrin, five staff journalists of the ruling Baath Party newspaper Al-Baath and two men working for the semi-official Al-Thawra had been banned from writing.

Jury takes up Red Brigades trial

TURIN, Italy, June 19 (AP). — The trial of the founder and 14 members of the Red Brigades went to the jury today after the defendants called the assassination of former Premier Aldo Moro by their comrades "the highest expression" in an offensive against the state. Sources said it might take the court more than two days to issue a verdict.

Sadat to meet 3 African leaders

CAIRO, June 19 (R). — President Anwar Sadat is to hold talks with three African leaders before an African summit conference convenes in Khartoum on July 18, the semi-official daily Al-Ahram reported today. It said President Sekou Toure of Guinea will arrive in Egypt on Wednesday for two days of talks in Alexandria before returning to Conakry on Friday. On July 15, Liberian President William Tolbert will pay a three-day state visit to Egypt for consultations with Mr. Sadat, Al-Ahram said. The Egyptian leader will also meet Somali President Mohamed Siad Barre on his way back to Somalia from visits to West Germany and Britain, the newspaper reported.

Oil find announced in west Sudan

KHARTOUM, June 19 (R). — High quality crude oil has been discovered in western Sudan, the Sudan news agency SUNA said today. The agency said first tests showed there was oil of international specifications which promised excellent crude oil. It is the first find reported from the west of the country, which announced three years ago it had struck oil in the central area and on the Red Sea coast. The exploration in west Sudan is being carried out by the American company Chevron.

Egypt's war hero denounces Sadat

LISBON, June 19 (Agencies). — Egyptian Ambassador and former armed forces chief Gen. Sa'deddine Shazli today denounced President Anwar Sadat's government in Egypt as a dictatorship.

Gen. Shazli, now Ambassador in Portugal, said President Sadat was driving all his political opponents to prison and his autocratic regime was hiding behind a face of powerless democratic institutions.

The regime was no better than past dictatorships in Portugal and Spain, Gen. Shazli, 56, said in his scathing attack on President Sadat in a letter sent to international news agencies. Gen. Shazli, who as Chief-of-Staff in the 1973 Arab-Israeli war masterminded the Egyptian crossing of the Suez Canal, also accused President Sadat of weakening the armed forces, making Israel more intransigent and shaming Arab solidarity.

Asked after he issued the statement if he intended to resign, the ambassador told Reuters by telephone: "No, but I expect to be fired."

The ambassador referred to the eventual "fall of the Sadat regime." Meanwhile, he said, he was waiting to see how President Sadat would react to his criticism — democratically or autocratically.

West makes conditions to help Zaire

KINSHASA, June 19 (R). — Five Western powers will urge President Mobutu Sese Seko to make peace with local tribesmen in Zaire's war-torn Shaba Province in return for badly-needed Western economic aid, diplomatic sources said today.

Envoys of the United States, France, West Germany, Belgium and Britain, in a series of separate meetings, will also press him to consider wide-ranging domestic reforms and to seek better relations with neighbouring Angola, the sources added.

The initiative is part of Western efforts to support President Mobutu's anti-Soviet

government following last month's rebel insurgency in Shaba — the worst threat to his 13-year rule.

The sources said the Western ambassadors would present three areas for reform. — Reconciliation between the northern-dominated Kinshasa government and the Lunda tribesmen in southern Shaba Province from whom the rebels were drawn.

— Relaxation of the mounting tensions between Zaire and neighbouring Marxist Angola which President Mobutu accuses of sponsoring the rebel invasion along with the Soviet Union and Cuba.

— Reconciliation between

Crisis ends in Belgium

BRUSSELS, June 19 (R). — Belgium's five-day government crisis ended today when the four parties in the ruling coalition negotiated a compromise on cuts in public spending and moves towards regional autonomy.

King Baudouin formally rejected Socialist Prime Minister Leo Tindemans' offer to resign.

Mr. Tindemans tendered his resignation last week following a row with the Socialist Party.

After reaching agreement on a compromise package today, he told a press conference: "The crisis was serious, after months of negotiations on our anti-crisis plan, there was no agreement."

The premier said the coalition had now backed his plan for special government powers to cut public spending without parliamentary approval in order to reduce Belgium's 65 billion franc (\$2 billion) budget deficit.

In return, Mr. Tindemans said he had agreed to fix a timetable for moves towards limited autonomy for the country's minority regions, Flemish-speaking regions.

President Mobutu and clandestine opposition movements inside and outside his vast and turbulent country.

The French ambassador in Kinshasa was believed to have had the first of the five meetings this morning, the sources said. The four other envoys were awaiting appointments with President Mobutu.

Western diplomats said they feared the initiative, which was initially to have been kept secret, might draw an angry response from President Mobutu. He has said publicly he will not accept any preconditions for Western aid to his economically weak and politically uncertain nation.

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Answers from the nose

Israeli Prime Minister Menachem Begin has come up with a disappointing answer to the questions put to him by the United States on the future of the occupied West Bank and Gaza. This may surprise the United States, but it does not surprise us, because we have long been accustomed to Israeli tactics of foot-dragging and diversion. The vagueness of the Israeli answer only emphasises that Israelis want to avoid a firm decision on when to leave the occupied territories. They know that when they pull out, the Palestinian people will then have a chance to undergo a process of self-determination as to their national aspirations. This is something the Israelis want to prevent from happening at all costs, because when it does it will negate every argument and premise of Zionist thinking and action of the past three-quarters of a century. The territorial definition of the Palestinian national sentiment will make the Israelis look like fools and liars, which is pretty much what they are when they say the Palestinian people do not exist.

The difficulty for Mr. Begin is how to stay in the West Bank and Gaza while making it look like he is pulling out. In other words, it is the classic dilemma of an occupying foreign power. Mr. Begin tries to camouflage this under the cloak of his messianic territorial claims, but nobody -- not even the Americans who pay his bills and keep his country afloat -- has yet accepted his claims to Israeli sovereignty in the occupied areas.

For Mr. Begin to say now that Israel will negotiate "the nature of future relations" with Palestinians in the occupied territories is not to contribute very much to the peace-making efforts. Mr. Begin has been asked to give a commitment to leave the occupied territories, and he has more or less refused to do so. We are once again in the unpleasant position of watching the Israelis thumb their noses at the Americans. For those who waited so anxiously for the Israeli reply to the famous American questions, a nose-thumbing ceremony in mid-June can hardly be viewed as very conducive to peace in the Holy Land.

ARAB PRESS COMMENTARY

Jordanian newspapers' editorials today expressed dissatisfaction with the Israeli government's answer to the American questions regarding the future of the occupied West Bank and Gaza Strip.

AL RA'I says that at last, after much travail, the "Israeli mountain brought forth a new interpretation of Menachem Begin's peace plan which is no more than a new play clearly aimed at confronting the United States and the Arabs with a fait accompli: that Israel shall not withdraw from these two territories either before or after the five-year period."

The statement that the interim self-rule period would start only after peace agreements between Israel and its neighbours were signed raises more than one question mark. The reference to negotiations in which all parties concerned would take part in addition to elected representatives of the West Bank and Gaza Strip in accordance with the self-rule administrative plan reveals the Israeli government's insistence on its extreme stand, the newspaper says.

The United States, Al Ra'i adds, now faces two alternatives, either to exercise open pressure on Begin's government to change its position or "to wash its hands of the blood of its Arab friends." The Arabs have two alternatives before them, either to yield to the Israeli decision or to overcome their differences, close their ranks and build up their indigenous strength so as to compel Israel to pull out of the occupied Arab territories altogether.

AL DUSTOUR says that if it is true that the objectives of Washington's question to the Israeli government were either to exercise pressure on Begin's cabinet or to work towards overthrowing it or to force it to take a clear attitude towards the future of the West Bank and Gaza Strip and the Palestinians as well, then all these aims failed yesterday through the victory scored by Mr. Begin in preserving his cabinet from collapse, and through the nature of the Israeli cabinet's replies to the American questions.

So, after four months of waiting -- Israeli procrastination, Begin's mauling and the artificial differences among his cabinet members -- the Israeli answers came to emphasise what did not need emphasis: that Israel, following the five years of self-rule in the West Bank and Gaza Strip, does not intend to recognise Palestinian sovereignty over the West Bank and Gaza, but wants to "subject" this question to further negotiations "between the parties concerned," the newspaper adds.

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Prince Hassan urges central bankers to adopt practical steps to set up Arab common financial market

By a Jordan Times staff reporter

AMMAN, June 19. — His Highness Crown Prince Hassan today told central bankers from 16 Arab countries meeting here that Arab money should serve the Arab people and urged them to adopt practical and concrete recommendations for setting up an Arab common financial market.

Addressing the Conference of Governors of Arab Central Banks at the Chamber of Industry building, Prince Hassan said he was confident that the combined experience of the Arab financial and economic policy planners gathered in Amman for the first conference of its kind would be a potent force to overcome the obstacles facing the creation of such a common financial market.

The three-day conference will tackle this issue as well as a common Arab bank, liberalising controls over the movement of Arab money between Arab countries and the identification of investment opportunities in the Arab countries.

The common financial market should encourage the best use of Arab economic resources which have yet to be fully harnessed and must be put to better use than they are now," the Prince added.

The Arabs were still speaking of economic cooperation but were a long way off from concrete economic integration, the Prince hinted.

If the Arab World is to achieve a real measure of financial complementarity -- which bilateral inter-Arab agreements are constantly calling for -- and if Arab money is no longer to be buffeted by foreign political and economic winds, and is to acquire a measure of independence, then "we have to speak the language of this world and this age," Prince Hassan said.

"A developed and organised common financial market is the alphabet of this language," he added.

The Crown Prince spoke at length about inter-Arab financial arrangements and facilities which could supplement the adaptation of technology and production techniques, ultimately leading to the stage where Arab development projects are financed by Arab sources, thus ensuring economic and political independence.

The Prince went on to say that such a common financial

market could not be established without strengthening and developing local financial markets. Jordan has tried over the last few years to develop its financial institutions so that they could complement their fellow institutions in the greater Arab framework, he said.

The Governor of the Central Bank of Jordan, Dr. Said Nabulsi, also spoke at the meeting, stressing the need for a common strategy for Arab economic action.

The conference is being attended by delegations from Jordan, Syria, Egypt, Algeria, Lebanon, Iraq, Somalia, Qatar, Morocco, Tunisia, Sudan, Kuwait, Bahrain, the United Arab

Emirates, the Yemen Arab Republic and the People's Democratic Republic of Yemen.

Participants also include Council of Arab Economic Unity, the Arab Monetary Fund, the Union of Arab Banks and the Arab League General Secretariat.

Dr. Nabulsi was elected chairman of the conference, head of the Iraqi delegation Dr. Iz-zedine Salim first rapporteur and head of the Moroccan delegation Dr. Mohammad Al Tazi second rapporteur of the conference.

The conference agenda was also approved.

Prime Minister Mudar Badran later received the participants in the conference at his office.

Progress of Queen Alia airport reviewed at meet

AMMAN, June 19 (JT). — Progress in the construction of the new Queen Alia International Airport was reviewed at a meeting of the airport committee here Monday. The meeting was presided over by His Majesty King Hussein.

The first stage of the airport, which is situated 30 kms. from Amman, has been completed and includes the main and auxiliary runways. Work has now started on the second runway and the tarmac.

National News Roundup

Cement crisis to end within next 2 months

AMMAN, June 19 (JNA). — Director General of the Jordan Cement Factory Shaukat Al Shoul said the company, with the approval of the Minister of Industry and Commerce, will start distributing 3,900 tons of cement daily to consumers as of Monday. Mr. Al Shoul said in a press conference Sunday that by importing fluid cement the cement crisis will be over within two months. Prime Minister Mudar Badran has given instructions that ships carrying cement should be given priority of unloading at Aqaba. Three ships carrying 31 tons of cement arrived at Aqaba during the past two weeks and four other vessels are expected to arrive within the next two weeks with a load of 34 tons, the director general said.

Badran, ministers inspect public projects

AMMAN, June 19 (JNA). — Prime Minister Mudar Badran and a number of cabinet ministers Sunday made a tour of several government projects under construction. The tour started with a visit to the grain silos being built at Juwaidah, south of Amman where they inspected work under progress. The project, which is expected to be completed in the summer of 1979, involves the construction of five groups of silos. Each group has six silos that can store 50,000 tons of wheat. The project includes facilities for unloading, sieving and distributing wheat to the silos. Other installations are planned, including a huge cold storage room for storing 1,500 tons of frozen meat. The cabinet group then visited the site of Queen Alia International Airport and the automatic bakery in Amman. The bakery produces some 80,000 loaves of bread per day and operates 18 hours a day. The prime minister was accompanied on this tour by Ministers of Transport Ali Suhaimat, Public Works Said Bino, and Supply Marwan Al Qasem as well as a number of officials.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Dear Sir

The recent uproar in the U.K. press over the two Englishmen publicly flogged in Saudi Arabia, after they were caught making and selling alcohol, puts me in mind of glasshouses, stones and people in them.

It is absolutely against the law in England for a man to have more than one wife at a time, the penalty for bigamy being instant imprisonment. To a Moslem, this is incomprehensible as he is allowed and indeed encouraged to marry more than one woman -- provided he can look after them. As they do not consider bigamy a crime, they naturally consider the shutting away for long periods of a man who commits it barbaric punishment. Nonetheless, this is the law in England (and most other countries) and anyone breaking it does so with the full knowledge of the consequences.

Likewise, in Saudi Arabia it is prohibited to make and/or sell alcohol in any shape or form, and this is known to everyone in the country, both Saudis and foreigners alike. The men in question must have known what the punishment would be if caught.

Please do not think I am in favour of corporal punishment, I'm not, and consider it negative as well as degrading. At the same time, if I deliberately set out to break the law of the country knowing full well the results, the bigger fool I am.

May I suggest the British press apply a little more rationale in their editorials and a little less emotionalism?

Noel Gaze
 Amman

NCC hears government's domestic policy report

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The general expenditure in 1978 amounted to JD 371.8 million against JD 332.6 million in 1977, an increase of JD 39.2 million. Current expenditures for 1978 totalled JD 171.3 million against JD 178.9 million in 1977.

The general revenues in 1978 were estimated at JD 356.8 million distributed as follows: JD 158.8 local revenues, JD 188 million in Arab and foreign aid and JD 10 million in local and foreign loans. The deficit amounted to JD 15 million which could be covered through local loans.

The government has also backed the national industries by ensuring the best climate, not through boycotting foreign goods to protect local industries such that this step would ensure competitiveness and the protection of the consumer. This led to an increase of the national exports which amounted to 30 per cent.

The premier went on to explain other steps taken by the government aimed at bolstering the economy. He mentioned two new laws, namely the Zakat -- the Islamic tax -- and the Islamic Bank. The profits of both institutions, he explained, will be spent on Islamic projects.

Following that a number of ministers briefed the members of the National Consultative Council on the projects, activities and achievements carried out by their ministries. Among them were Minister of Communications and Acting Minister of Health Abdul Ra'ouf Al Rawabdeh and Minister of Public Works Sa'id Bino who explained the situation of communications, health and road construction projects aimed at improving present conditions in these areas.

King Hussein presides over U. of J. graduation

AMMAN, June 19 (JNA). — His Majesty King Hussein will preside Tuesday at the 13th graduation ceremony of students of the University of Jordan to be held in the Amman International Stadium. Al Hussein Sports City. Among the other certificates distributed His Majesty will give certificates to the first medical students to graduate from the university.

WHAT'S GOING ON

Arabic Play

Tonight is the second performance of the Egyptian comedy entitled "The Kid Who Saw Nothing," starring Abdel Munem Madbuli. Curtains at 8:30 p.m. at the Palace of Culture. Tickets at the gate.

EXHIBIT

"Britain and the World of Islam" is the title of an exhibition based on the World of Islam Festival which was held in Britain in 1976. The exhibition includes pictures, photographs, posters, records and films plus an exhibition of over 400 British books on the Middle East. British Council 9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. and 4:30 to 6:00 p.m. daily except Sunday. Till June 24.

Exhibit Films

The "Britain and the World of Islam" films are showing for three days, starting tonight, at 8:15 p.m. in the British Council garden.

Ballet Films

The Russian ballet film "The Legend of the Hunchbacked Horse" is showing today at 6:30 p.m. at the Soviet Cultural Centre.

Photo Exhibit

An exhibition of photographs by Ann Wiegand begins today at the Palace of Culture in the lobby. The exhibition continues till June 25.

DR. MOUSA AHMAD ISLAM HAKOUZ

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AMMAN, June 19 (JT). — Commander-in-Chief of the armed forces Lt. Gen. Sharif Zaid Ibn Shaker held talks in Washington Monday with the Secretary of the U.S. Army, Martin Hoffmann, and the Assistant Defense Secretary for Middle East Affairs. The army chief also met with the chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, the chief of staff of the U.S. Air Force, and senior military officials at the Defense Department.

AMMAN, June 19 (JNA). — Minister of State for Foreign Affairs Hassan Ibrahim returned here Sunday evening after representing Jordan at the Arab Solidarity Committee meeting held in Khartoum over the weekend.

He said that during the meeting President Jaafar Nimeiri of Sudan, who heads the solidarity committee, read a detailed report on the outcome of his recent visits to 15 Arab countries. The committee debated the report and reviewed ways of restoring Arab solidarity. It agreed on the necessity of President Nimeiri continuing his contacts with Arab leaders and urged participating countries to hold bilateral contacts with the concerned Arab parties with the aim of restoring Arab solidarity, Mr. Ibrahim said.

The meeting, which was attended by the foreign ministers of Jordan, Saudi Arabia, the United Arab Emirates, Kuwait and the North Yemen also decided to hold its next session in Khartoum, at a date to be announced, to examine the results of the past contacts and to prepare an overall Arab plan containing a joint action formula, to be put before Arab governments for study.

Coming & Going

U.S. women's group here on 3-day visit

AMMAN, June 19 (JNA). — An American women's delegation for international understanding arrived here Sunday afternoon on a three-day visit. The delegation will meet with Jordanian officials and visit the University of Jordan and the Baq'aa refugee camp. The visit is part of a tour of Middle East countries which will also take them to Istanbul where they will attend an international conference for women next week.

Iranian military delegation arrives

AMMAN, June 19 (JNA). — A military delegation of teachers and students of the Iranian Staff College arrived here today on a short visit during which they will meet with top ranking officers and visit military units and institutions.

Director of Public security off to study police methods in West Germany

AMMAN, June 19 (JNA). — Director of Public Security

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Japanese yen (for every 100)	143.70/144.60
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Belgian franc (for every ten)	94.40/95.00
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Saleh Al Khasawneh in Syria for tax talks

DAMASCUS, June 19 (JNA). — Director General of Jordan's Income Tax Department Dr. Saleh Al Khasawneh arrived here on a short visit during which he will hold talks with officials at the Syrian Ministry of Finance and the Income Tax Department concerning cooperation and exchange of expertise in the fields of taxes and finance between Jordan and Syria.

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Jordan Cement Factories	JD 10.000	2,574	—	15.300	15.300
Jordan Phosphate Mines	JD 1.000	230	2.200	2.300	2.300
Jordan - Gulf Bank	JD 1.000	132	1.100	1.150	1.150
General Mining Co.	JD 1.000	450	0.900	0.950	0.900
Industrial, Commercial and Agricultural Co.	JD 1.000	1,560	2.450	2.500	2.450
Jordan Tanning Co.	JD 5.000	422	8.400	—	8.450
Bank of Jordan	JD 5.000	1,750	7.000	—	7.000
Jordan National Bank	JD 5.000	725	7.200	7.250	7.250
The Arab International Hotels Co.	JD 1.000	320	0.750	0.850	0.800

Total volume traded, Monday, June 19 JD 16,215

Total number of shares traded 3,530

* 50 per cent of share capital paid.

JORDAN TIMES DAILY GUIDE

JORDAN TELEVISION

Channel 3 & 6:	10:30 Arabic series
5:00 Quran	11:20 News in Arabic
5:15 Cartoons	Channel 6:
5:30 University of Jordan graduation	7:30 News in Hebrew
8:00 News in Arabic	7:45 Sports magazine
Channel 3:	8:30 Are You Being Served
8:30 Arabic series	9:10 Washington Behind
9:30 Arabic cultural program	9:30 Decors
	10:00 News in English
	10:15 Love Boat

RADIO JORDAN

7:00 Sign-on	13:03 Pop Session
7:21 Morning Show	14:00 News Bulletin
7:30 News Bulletin	14:10 Music
7:40 Morning Show	14:30 French Music
	15:00 Concert Hour
10:00 News Headlines	16:00 Pop Session
10:02 Morning Show	17:00 Country Music
10:30 Faces and Places	17:30 Pop Session
11:00 Sign-off	18:00 News Summary
12:00 Sign-on and News Headlines	18:03 Play of The Week
12:03 Pop Session	18:00 News Bulletin
13:00 News Summary	19:10 News Reports
	19:30 Sign-off

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Zargat:	Al Jumei (27291)
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Ramra (14533)	Irbid:
	Al Shifa'
	Zarga:
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14:30 Cricket	14:30 News: 24 Hours
15:00 Radio Newsweek	15:30 Sarah Ward
15:15 Outlook	15:45 World Today
16:00 News: Commentary	16:00 Newsweek Press Review
16:15 Modernity Blues	16:00 The Singer in Person
16:45 World Today	17:00 News: 24 Hours
17:00 News	17:30 Sarah Ward
17:20 Take One	17:45 Women in a Man's World
17:30 Cricket	18:00 News: Reflections
17:45 Sports Round-up	18:15 Joke and Digger
18:00 News: News about Britain	18:30 Britain of Britain
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18:30 The Farming World	18:30 World Today
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19:29 Stock Market Report	18:45 Tony Myatt Request
19:45 Under the Focus	19:15 Ulster in Focus
20:00 News: 24 Hours	19:30 Discovery
20:30 The Pleasure's Yours	19:30 News: News about Britain
21:15 Nature Notebook	19:30 The Vikings
21:45 Nature Notebook	19:30 Sports International
22:25 Financial News	19:30 Radio Newsweek
22:35 Book Choice: Reflections	19:30 Cricket
22:45 Sports Round-up	19:30 Sports Round-up
23:00 News: Commentary	19:30 News: 24 Hours
23:15 Writers and Writing	19:30 Nelson
23:30 Virtuoso	19:30 Report on Religion

VOICE OF AMERICA

17:30 The Breakfast Show	17:30 News: 24 Hours
18:00 Regional and Topical Reports, VOA Current News Summary, 03:30, 04:30 and 05:30 GMT:	18:00 News: 24 Hours
An informal presentation of popular music with feature reports and interviews, answers to listeners' questions, Science Digest.	18:30 News: 24 Hours
17:30 News Roundup, Reports, VOA Magazine, Amman, Science, Cultural.	

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8:15 Damascus (SAAL)	8:40 Baghdad
8:30 Cairo (E.A.)	8:45 Beirut, London (BA)
8:50 Baghdad, Bahrain	8:15 Damascus (SAAL)
9:10 Baghdad (IA)	8:45 Beirut (MEA)
9:15 Ras Al Khaima, Abu Dhabi	9:35 Cairo (EA)
10:00 Riyadh (SDI)	10:00 Frankfurt
10:30 Baghdad (IA)	10:15 Baghdad (IA)
11:00 Kuwait	10:30 Rome
11:15 Istanbul (SDI)	11:00 Kuwait
11:30 Geneva, Brussels, Amsterdam	11:15 Istanbul (SDI)
12:30 Kuwait (KAC)	12:00 New York
12:30 Abu Dhabi, Karachi (PIA)	12:30 Kuwait (KAC)
12:30 Riyadh (SDI)	12:30 Kuwait (KAC)
12:30 Madrid, Athens	12:30 Kuwait (KAC)
12:30 Copenhagen, Paris	12:30 Kuwait (KAC)
12:30 Amsterdam, Athens	12:30 Kuwait (KAC)
20:25 Frankfurt	12:30 Kuwait (KAC)
21:00 Abu Dhabi, Dubai	12:30 Kuwait (KAC)
21:30 Beirut (MEA)	12:30 Kuwait (KAC)
21:30 Bahrain, Bangkok	12:30 Kuwait (KAC)
22:30 Doha, Muscat	12:30 Kuwait (KAC)

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British Cultural Centre	363-594
Deutsche Demokratische Republik Cultural Centre	332-622
French Cultural Centre	338-694
Raboud Theatre	222-016
Madison Museum	114-854
Soviet Cultural Centre	225-638
Spanish Cultural Centre	224-619
Urdu Art Gallery	111-318
Zaharfa Public Library	

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Enlightened attitude to women emerges in the movie world

By Michael J. Bandler

HOLLYWOOD, (IPS) — A young frazzled woman, her face set in a frown, chain-smokes as she types, struggling for fulfillment as a writer, yet constantly distracted by the plight of a childhood friend.

A vibrant young teacher of deaf children zigzags from rehabilitative dreams to nightmares of self-destruction in her schizophrenic, ultimately tragic lifestyle.

Two women in their 40's, once ballerinas together, then separated by respective career choices in life, are joined again by circumstances limited by decisions they made at that critical turning point.

Where's the fragile little girl, the sensual, manipulative object, the career woman who succumbs to the advances and wiles of the Cary Grants of the world -- in short, where are the women in films of years gone by?

Simply stated, they've been superseded.

Reconsidering women

The female, as depicted above in the scenarios of 1977 and 1978, can be as feminine, loving and physically appealing as her counterparts in 60 years of film-making. Yet, at the same time, she is strong, egalitarian in her outlook on society, and -- above all -- capable of controlling her own destiny. When uniquely feminine problems confront her, she can handle them -- alone.

This enlightened attitude emerges clearly in a number of new films, including:

-- Julia, starring Jane Fonda as the young playwright Lillian Hellman, and Vanessa Redgrave in the title role as her friend, who is fighting fascism in the Europe of the 1930's.

-- Looking For Mister Goodbar, Diane Keaton's searing depiction of a teacher who bar hops each evening to fill her sexual needs.

-- The Turning Point, a movie set in the dance world, with Shirley MacLaine as a former ballerina whose daughter has followed in her footsteps, and Anne Bancroft as the aging dancer who chose stardom over marriage and is now the young girl's mentor.

-- An Unmarried Woman, which, true to its title, stars Jill Clayburgh as a wife who

finds herself unattached when her husband leaves after 15 years of marriage.

-- The Goodbye Girl, Neil Simon's serio-comic evocation of the challenges facing a young former actress, a single parent determined to resist changing another potentially unhappy marriage.

Coming as they have to an unexpected cluster in the last months of 1977, these films have emphasized the studio's reconsideration of women and overshadowed much of the year's additional Hollywood products.

Today's image of the modern female is a new one for Hollywood.

By contrast, film-makers outside the United States -- specifically in Sweden, Italy and France -- have been attuned to the contemporary woman's perspective for years. Ingmar Bergman, Claude Lelouch, Jean-Luc Godard, Jean Renoir and female directors Lina Wertmuller, Mai Zetterling and Agnes Varda have produced a steady stream of movies with that view.

Women take leading roles

The first hint of changing times in the United States came in the closing week of 1974 in the form of Alice Doesn't Live Here Anymore, a mood piece focusing on a brittle, newly widowed young mother who has to pick up the pieces of her life, fend off male vultures and choose a destiny for herself and for her impressionable son.

Ellen Burstyn was on screen virtually for the entire movie in the title role, dominating the film with a credible rendition of an equally believable script. In April, 1975 she won the "best actress" Oscar for it.

By contrast, the next year's winner in that category reflected the retrograde trend that had held for years. Louise Fletcher's portrayal of a venal nurse in a male-populated mental hospital in One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest won the "best actress" Oscar. In April, 1975 she won the "best actress" Oscar for it.

The only truly formidable contender Fletcher faced -- and ultimately defeated --

was Carol Kane, whose luminous depiction of a turn-of-the-century liberated Jewish immigrant in Hester Street was directed by Joan Micklin Silver, at that time one of the few women behind Hollywood's cameras.)

Burstyn's characterization galvanized her colleagues, many of whom for years had accepted less than fulfilling parts for money alone, as well as others who had rejected demeaning or unattractive roles categorically.

"I stopped making films," says Dyan Cannon. "I wanted to change my image. It seems that if you have a nice body you're cost one way, never as a full-bodied woman in every sense of the word. I became very impatient with the type of material I was being dealt."

As an alternative, she probed the art of producing and directing, and filmed a short subject under American Film Institute sponsorship that was nominated for an Oscar.

Jane Fonda -- following her award-winning performance as a threatened prostitute in the suspense film Kluge accepted parts sparingly until Julia came along. Her co-star in the new production, Vanessa Redgrave, spent more time on the stage than in films in recent years.

After the stunning 1967 film about a pair of notorious American bank robbers, Bonnie and Clyde, Faye Dunaway's star sank rapidly, even though she continued to appear in a



'Looking for mister Goodbar' -- Diane Keaton gives a powerful performance in Richard Brooks' new movie about a young teacher of deaf children who has a shocking, dichotomous existence as a sexually thirsty bar habitue. (Photo from IPS.)

the beginning of shooting until the first screening) in mid-1976, film director John Hancock stressed "the whole role of accident, which is underestimated in our business."

"Roles follow stars," he said in an interview, speaking from the perspective of that period. "There just aren't many women who are really talented who have been in suc-

"... Women are rarely the motive force of any film; they never are the ones who make it happen. Things happen to them, instead..."

-- Actress Glenda Jackson

cessful pictures. If they were stars, roles would be written for them." In other words, he indicated, it's all a vicious cycle.

Mr. Cannon tends to agree. "Directors only know what you show them. Then you convince them you can do something else and then they start sending you those kinds of scripts."

Accident? Coincidence? Why not? How else can one explain the fact that Lillian Hellman first told of her experiences with Julia Murphy in Pentimento, her volume of

memoirs published in 1973; that Judith Rossner wrote her novel Looking for Mister Goodbar in 1975; that Neil Simon felt impelled to devise a screenplay for his actress-wife, Marsha Mason, because of the paucity of good roles for women; and that a long-contemplated collaborative idea of director Herbert Ross, his wife -- former ballerina Nora Kaye -- and writer Arthur Laurents finally moved onto a studio schedule in August, 1976?

Coincidence, yes, but society's firm shove helped, too. Gareth Wigan, Vice President for Production at Twentieth Century-Fox, has said that "our research indicates a large public awareness that women have been left out of movies. There are dramas, conflicts, situations that have been neglected while we've been concentrating on men and action-adventures. By leaving out women, we've left out half the world's population. But now audiences seem to be more interested in personal situations, in relationships they've had."

This confrontation with reality isn't necessarily only geared to women, even if the

drama revolves around them. "The Turning Point is not a woman's movie," says Shirley MacLaine, who co-stars as the ballerina who forsakes her craft. "It's a movie about choices in life. I know a lot of men, too, who gave up their dreams to be an artist or a scientist or the guy who invented paper clips, and ended up carrying a lunch pail back and forth to the factory."

By the same token, Julia is about friendship -- not strictly about women. But it offers an unusual role reversal that places a man, Jason Roberts, in the distinctly supporting role (traditionally the woman's place) of suspense writer Dashiell Hammett, Hal-liman's belpatne and lover for 30 years. And when, in an idyllic moment on a grassy ridge, without any sexual overtones, Fonda looks at Redgrave and says, "I love you, Julia" -- simply, platotically -- audiences sense a watershed moment in film history.

Jane Fonda is excited about the trend of which she's a part. "All my life has been privilege," says the daughter of movie star Henry Fonda. "You can be a privileged movie star, or you can commit yourself to the idea that people can change their lives and can change history. I want to make films that will make people feel stronger, understand more clearly, and make them move forward -- women and men."

Dry spell

Shirley MacLaine remembers all too well the period -- beginning about 15 years ago -- when the wellspring of scripts containing major parts for actresses began to dry up. Hollywood's new emphasis was on men. To add to this looming imbalance, many scenarios called for two or more leading men -- which gave rise to the phenomenon familiarly known as the "buddy film."

Castig directors ingeniously explored every possible permutation of bankable actors: Robert Redford-Paul Newman, Redford-George Segal, Segal-Elliott Gould, Gould-James Caan, Caan-Marlon Bran-

do-Al Pacino, Pacino-Gene Hackman, Brando-Jack Nicholson, Nicholson-Peter Fonda, Redford-Dustin Hoffman, Hoffman-Jon Voight, Voight-Burt Reynolds, Hoffman-Steve McQueen, Redford-Caen, Caan-Gould, ad infinitum.

And as these combinations prevailed, the women largely were forgotten. In fact, in mid-1977, only two actresses -- Barbra Streisand and Diana Ross (both linked to music) -- were considered bankable (capable of drawing moviegoers in profitable numbers) -- specifically because of the infrequency of their screen appearances. Other more visible actresses of the decade --

Dunaway, Ali MacGraw, Glenda Jackson, Liza Minnelli, Julie Christie, Candice Bergen and Ann-Margret among them -- were deemed generally unbankable.

That imbalance may have shifted as a result of the recent spate of films focused on women. MacLaine is pleased by her new film ("Anne and I could become the Redford and Newman of the 1970's... that's a kind of progress"), and by Julia. Yet she still sees Hollywood lagging behind life, out of synch, and wonders "when we are going to see men and women together in a mature way."

The void MacLaine senses may be filled by The Goodbye Girl, chronicling the balanced relationship between a feisty young actor and the divorced ex-chorine who shies away from making another marital error. Or it may be rectified by Coming Home, Jane Fonda's forthcoming portrait of the tensions between the wife of a wounded Vietnam veteran and her paraplegic husband, or Slow Dancing in the Big City, a study of the tense affair of a ballerina and a journalist.

Even younger, largely unknown actresses -- who in past eras would have been called starlets -- sense change. "A year ago, the scripts I saw had women as the usual cardboard figures," says Candy Clark. "This year, they seem to have more to say; they're rounding out a bit more, they're stronger, more sensible, doing more exciting things than waiting for the guy to come by."

"All of a sudden, things are changing," says Susan Blake-ly, who is one of a number of young performers on the threshold of stardom. "I think when certain films like Alice Doesn't Live Here Anymore did well, people began to see that a woman could carry a film. And audiences will buy what you sell them."

Matters are in flux even with regard to lesser roles in films. Recognizing society's shift away from sexist stereotypes, at least one studio -- Universal -- has considered actresses for parts as police officers, judges, lawyers, cab and truck drivers, blue-collar workers and other traditionally male roles.

T.V. breaks

American television, although linked symbiotically to Hollywood through the large film production studios, has moved ahead more rapidly than the movie industry. Many actresses recognized this, and gained noticeable breaks by working in made-for-T.V. features. Cicely Tyson created one of the most memorable roles in television history in The Autobiography of Miss Jane Pittman, a glimpse at the winding down of segregation in the South as seen through the experiences of a courageous black woman. Sally Field shed her fluffy image with Sybil, the story of a schizoid personality, and promptly gained the lead in Heroes, a theatrical movie that was scheduled to be released late in 1977. Jill Clayburgh's riveting appearance as a steely prostitute in the semidocumentary television show Hustling provided the impetus for her entry into films. Susan Clark, talented yet overlooked in glamour-rooted Hollywood, triumphed mightily in biographies of aviatrix Amelia Earhart and Olympic athlete Babe Didrikson Zaharias. And Jane Alexander was enthralling in two biographies of one of America's most liberated women, Eleanor Roosevelt.

Given evidence of a trend in 1977, then, it's quite possible that it will develop into an accepted norm, alongside male-oriented films, as enlightened contemporary scripts approach the shooting stage. Beyond that, it's anyone's guess. Still, the harbingers of mately, box-office receipts will be what counts.



'The turning point' -- Anne Bancroft (left) co-stars as an aging ballerina in a landmark new film in which she must confront her uncertain future, just as Shirley MacLaine (right) must confront her past -- namely, her decision to resign as a ballerina in order to raise a family. Herbert Ross' gossamer movie typifies Hollywood's new willingness to focus on women and their perspectives towards life. (Photo from IPS.)



'Julia' -- Vanessa Redgrave (left), in the title role, and Jane Fonda (right) as young playwright Lillian Hellman, stroll through Oxford in a scene from a new American film about a friendship wrenched apart by fascism in the 1930's. "Julia" underscores the central roles available to actresses in today's Hollywood products. (Photo from IPS.)



'The goodbye girl' -- Marsha Mason (right) is the title character in Neil Simon's new screenplay about a young divorcee who struggles to adjust to the role of single parent (to Quinn Cummings, left) and emotionally unattached woman. (Photo from IPS.)

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GENERAL TENDENCIES: Today brings new duties so act with resourcefulness in handling them. A good time to express ideas that can be to your benefit in the future. Be alert to new opportunities at this time.

ARIES (Mar. 21 to Apr. 19) You have excellent ideas that can be whittled down to a practical level now. Doing favors for loved one brings fine results now.

TAURUS (Apr. 20 to May 20) Keep rooted to business matters since the aspects are fine for such now. Seek new outlets that can give you added income.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 21) Know what your true position is with allies so that you can communicate more intelligently. Show that you have ability.

MOON CHILDREN (June 22 to July 21) Take the time to analyze your work schedule so you can accomplish more. Be more cooperative with associates.

LEO (July 22 to Aug. 21) Get together with persons you like the most during spare hours. Study a new venture that could give you more abundance in the future.

VIRGO (Aug. 22 to Sept. 22) You can advance both at home and in business by using an intelligent approach. Show others that you have wisdom.

LIBRA (Sept. 23 to Oct. 22) Try to comprehend what others expect of you and then you can deal with them more effectively. Take no risks in motion today.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23 to Nov. 21) Make plans to have greater security in the future. Take steps to improve your appearance and then go after personal aims.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22 to Dec. 21) Study practical ways to have added income in the days ahead. Use a more positive approach in business matters.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22 to Jan. 20) Contact business experts and gain the advice you need. You can now gain your aims via social avenues. Show that you have poise.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 21 to Feb. 19) Steer clear of foes who are detrimental to your progress. You can accomplish much in civic affairs at this time.

PISCES (Feb. 20 to Mar. 20) You are able to get rid of problematical affairs with relative ease at this time. Get down to business now instead of fooling around.

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World Football Cup

As Holland nears Cup final,
W. Germany faces dethroning

BUENOS AIRES, June 19 (R). — Revitalised Holland today stood on the threshold of their second successive World Cup final while champions West Germany faced the near-certainty of being toppled from their throne. At the same time, South American giants Brazil and Argentina were still locked in battle for the honour of being the second finalist to appear at the River Plate Stadium here on June 25.

Italy, who meet Holland on Wednesday, could still displace the Dutchmen, but on the form they showed yesterday in struggling to a 1-0 victory against Austria they have lost the glitter which once marked them out as potential champions.

Holland need only a draw against the Italians to qualify unless West Germany can beat Austria by a five-goal margin.

Brazil top Group B from Argentina on marginally superior goal difference, but Argentina's last second round match against Peru looks less testing than the Brazilians' clash with Poland.

Holland, runners-up to West Germany in the 1974 finals, seemed to be sliding into anonymity when they barely qualified for the second round after losing 2-3 to Scotland — their first defeat in two years.

But their new-look team, including more than a sprinkling of young relatively untried players, promptly swamped Austria and yesterday snatched a late equaliser to draw 2-2 with West Germany.

The match at Cordoba, billed as a re-run of the 1974 final when West Germany won 2-1, ended in confusion after Uruguayan referee Ramon Barreto sent off Dick Nanninga, apparently for arguing.

The Dutch team announced last night that they would appeal against the expulsion, which would normally result in an automatic one-match ban on Mr. Nanninga, who had be-

en on the field for only ten minutes as a substitute when he was sent off in the 88th minute.

Rudi Abramczik, returning on the right wing in a more attack-minded 4-3-3 German line-up put West Germany ahead after only two minutes.

Holland equalised with a long-range drive from Arle Haan in the 26th minute, the first goal in the tournament.

But the echoes of the 1974 final grew louder when Dieter Mueller, replacing the injured Klaus Fischer, headed West Germany into a 2-1 lead in the 68th minute.

Just when West Germany thought they were heading for the same scoreline as in 1974, Rene Van De Kerkhof popped up with the 83rd minute equaliser which has almost certainly

ended West Germany's hopes of retaining the title.

But the main drama of the day was reserved for the meeting between Argentina and Brazil in the northern town of Rosario.

Four players were booked, three of them Brazilians, as heavy tackling chopped down players with monotonous regularity. Hungarian referee Karoly Palotai wisely gave the players time to settle down, but when the kicking and hacking continued he booked Mr. Chico, Mr. Edinho and Mr. Zico of Brazil as well as Argentine Ricardo Villa.

Argentina's brilliant forwards, Marin Kempes and fit-again Leopoldo Lugue, were effectively shackled by the no-nonsense Brazilian defenders.

The only clear scoring chance of the match fell to Oscar Ortiz who fired narrowly wide of the Brazilian goal after a rightwing run and low cross by Daniel Bertoni had prised open the Brazilian defence.

The most disappointing team yesterday were Italy, the stars of the first round, who were lucky to beat Austria 1-0. Paolo Rossi gave Italy just the start they needed with a 13th minute goal, but the team steadily fell from the heights it had achieved earlier.

Poland still cling to hopes that they can reach the final although they would have liked to have beaten Peru by more than 1-0.

The match was settled by a brilliant flying header in the second half by Andrzej Szarmach, surprisingly the first goal of the tournament for the man who was second highest scorer in 1974.

World Football Cup standings

	Played	won	drawn	lost	goals for	goals against	points
Group A:							
Holland	2	1	1	0	7	3	3
Italy	2	1	1	0	1	0	3
West Germany	2	0	2	0	2	2	2
Austria	2	0	0	2	1	6	0
Group B:							
Brazil	2	1	1	0	3	0	3
Argentina	2	1	1	0	2	0	3
Poland	2	1	0	1	1	2	2
Peru	2	0	0	2	0	4	0

FOREIGN EXCHANGE RATES

LONDON, (R). — Following are the buying and selling rates for leading world currencies against the dollar at the close of interbank trading on the London foreign exchange market last night. Tourist rates will differ from those quoted below.

One sterling	1.8338/43	U.S. dollars
One dollar	2.9520/30	West German marks
	2.2395/2405	Dutch guilders
	1.8905/15	Swiss francs
	32.78/80	Belgian francs
	4.5950/80	French francs
	859.50/860.00	Italian lire
	213.35/55	Japanese yen
	4.6130/45	Swedish crowns
	5.4030/45	Norwegian crowns
	5.6500/15	Danish crowns

LONDON MARKET REPORT

Prices lost ground Monday in thin trading, dealers said, and at 15:00 hrs. the F.T. Index was down 3.5 at 467.1.

Government bonds fell by up to 5/8 in reaction to the recently high level of bond sales, while equities drifted lower.

Prices softened slightly following higher than expected U.K. April earnings figures, dealers added.

Gold shares showed modest net gains, while U.S. and Canadian shares closed mostly lower.

Price of gold closed in London Monday at \$185.00/oz.

MAJOR LEAGUE

BASEBALL ROUNDUP

Baseball results and standings after Sunday's games:

AMERICAN LEAGUE:

EAST:	W	L	PCT.	GB
Boston	45	20	.692	—
Baltimore	38	26	.594	6½
New York	37	26	.587	7
Milwaukee	37	27	.578	7½
Detroit	31	31	.500	12½
Cleveland	27	34	.443	16
Toronto	21	42	.333	23
WEST:				
Kansas City	33	29	.532	—
California	33	31	.516	1
Texas	32	31	.508	1½
Oakland	32	33	.492	2½
Chicago	31	32	.492	2½
Minnesota	27	35	.435	6
Seattle	20	47	.299	15½

Sunday's games:

Cleveland 3-1, Milwaukee, 0-4
Baltimore 2, Oakland 1
California 3, New York 2
Seattle 3, Boston 2
Kansas City 3-0
Chicago 2-11, 1st game 11 innings
Minnesota 8, Detroit 4
Texas 3, Toronto 2

NATIONAL LEAGUE:

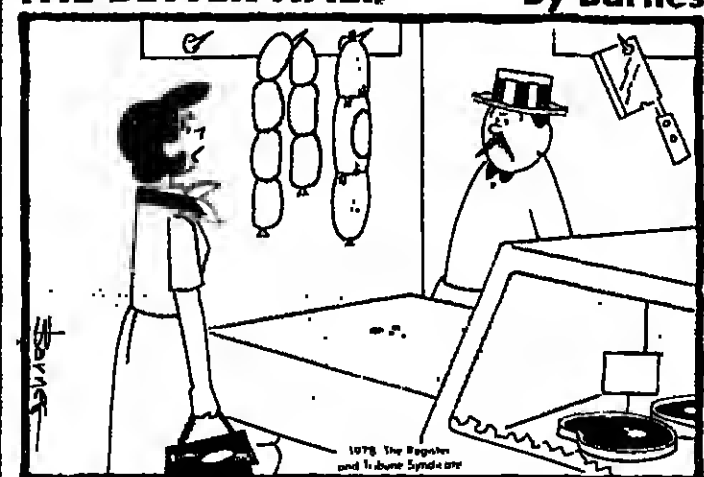
EAST:	W	L	PCT.	GB
Chicago	34	26	.567	—
Philadelphia	31	28	.525	2½
Montreal	33	32	.508	3½
Pittsburgh	28	32	.467	6
New York	29	38	.433	8½
St. Louis	23	43	.348	14
WEST:				
San Francisco	40	22	.651	—
Cincinnati	40	25	.615	2
Los Angeles	36	28	.563	5½
Houston	28	32	.467	11½
San Diego	29	35	.453	12½
Atlanta	25	36	.410	15

Sunday's games:

Atlanta 8, Pittsburgh 7
Cincinnati 4, St. Louis 2
San Francisco 3-4, New York 0-3, 2nd game 10 innings
Los Angeles 5, Montreal 0
San Diego 4, Philadelphia 1
Houston 3, Chicago 1

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Both vulnerable. North deals.

NORTH
♠ A K J 9
♥ 6
♦ A 9
♣ K 9 8 7 5 2

WEST
♠ Q 8 6 4 2
♥ J 9 4 3 2
♦ 10 3
♣ J

EAST
♠ 5
♥ 10 7
♦ K Q J 7 5 2
♣ 10 6 4 3

SOUTH
♠ 10 7 3
♥ A K Q 8 5
♦ 8 6 4
♣ A Q

The bidding:
North East South West
1 ♠ Pass 1 ♥ Pass
1 ♦ 2 ♣ 3 ♣ Pass
4 ♠ Pass 4 NT Pass
5 ♥ Pass 6 NT Pass
Pass Pass

Opening lead: Ten of ♠.

For the past few years, European pair competition has been dominated by one man—Peter Manhardt of Austria. A former World Open Pairs champion, he won the Philip Morris Cup in 1976 and 1977, and leads

support. Manhardt thought he would have a good play for six trump, the higher scoring contract, even though six clubs rated to be a safer spot.

West dutifully led the ten of diamonds, and declarer could count twelve tricks if the clubs were running. So he won the ace of diamonds and cashed the ace-queen of clubs, and West's spade discard was a grievous blow. Now declarer needed a considerable slice of luck.

He ran the ten of spades, and breathed a sigh of relief when that held the trick — had it lost he would have been down five. The spade finesse was repeated and the three top bears and two remaining spades were cashed in that order.

Dummy was now down to two clubs and the nine of diamonds. Since the lead was in dummy, East had to hold two clubs and was forced down to a singleton diamond bonn. Manhardt presented East with his diamond trick, and East had to lead away from his ten of clubs into dummy's king-nine tenace, so the slam rolled in.

Note that if West had led a low diamond originally, the slam could have been defeated. West must hold on to the ten of diamonds, and East can unblock his diamond honors. Now when declarer tries the throw-in, West can win the ten of diamonds and cash two hearts for down two.



Fighting breaks out between 2 Kurdish factions in Iraq

ISTANBUL, Turkey, June 19 (AP). — Intense fighting has erupted between followers of Kurdish nationalist leader Mulla Barzani and a rival faction in northern Iraq and has spread to Turkish territory, a Turkish newspaper reported yesterday.

In a dispatch from Hakkari, the remotest province in mountainous eastern Turkey, the independent daily Hurriyet said "all-out armed fighting" had flared among the so-called Pesh-Merga Kurdish independence fighters.

An armed rebellion in northern Iraq was put down by central Iraqi troops in the early 1970s, but a settlement allowed more freedom for the Kurds, who had demanded autonomy.

After failure of his bid for total secession from Iraq, the Kurdish leader fled to Iran and now is in the United States.

In a recent interview with the Associated Press in the United States, Mr. Barzani said that he obtained moral and material support from the U.S. Central Intelligence Agency during the revolt.

Thousands of ethnic Kurds had sought refuge in Turkish

border towns as the showdown between Pesh-Merga and the Iraqi forces drew to a close in late 1975.

Hurriyet, Turkey's largest circulated daily, said in its front-page story that the new fighting among the Pesh-Merga was "not a mere faction feuding."

"The bloody war, in fact, has some behind-the-scenes forces. Pro-Barzani troops are supported by the Iranian regime and the United States while the other faction is directed by the Soviet Union and Syria," the paper said.

The article alleged that intelligence services of these countries were directly involved in "fostering discord" among the irregular Kurdish troops. Hurriyet last week also launched a campaign that hinted that Iranian manipulation of disenchanted leftwing Kurdish organisation in Turkey's eastern regions, where central government authority has been ineffective recently. The area

is also reportedly split between Sunni and Shiite Moslem sects.

It said the dissident faction in the Pesh-Merga is led by Celal Tlabani, a Paris Law School graduate and an advocate of an independent Kurdish state.

Tlabani joined Barzani's forces during the armed rebellion in northern Iraq and rose to eminence as strategist and commander but broke away from the movement in 1971.

He was reported by Hurriyet to have established "very close contacts" with Kurdish populations in southeastern Turkey. There are over five million ethnic Kurds in the eastern regions of Turkey.

The Hurriyet story did not mention any casualty figures but other press reports put the number of dead at scores. Turkish militia troops in the area were unable to intervene because of fears of further complicating the multi-sided hostilities.

Vietnam gives China 3 months to evacuate Chinese population

BANGKOK, Thailand, June 19 (AP). — Vietnam said today it will give China three months to repatriate ethnic Chinese living in Vietnam and has opened up a third port to speed the process, which it says will begin tomorrow.

Hanoi's Voice of Vietnam Radio broadcast the contents of a diplomatic note delivered to Peking discussing rules for the repatriation of ethnic Chinese families, some of whom have resided in Vietnam for generations.

The note said the "evacuation process" would last ab-

out three months, with Chinese vessels allowed to land at the central coast port of Qui Nhon as well as Haiphong and Ho Chi Minh City, formerly Saigon.

The message specified the Chinese Embassy in Hanoi as the designated agent for coordinating the arrival and departure of Chinese evacuation ships. No reply had been received from Peking on rules outlined in the diplomatic note, the broadcast said.

Nor was it clear what role the Chinese Embassy in Hanoi could play in the absence of Ambassador Chen Chi-

Feng, who reportedly returned to China last week for "health reasons."

Vietnam said it would provide the Chinese a list of Chinese approved to leave prior to the arrival of each vessel, and each departing Chinese would be in possession of a valid exit permit.

It also asked the Chinese to provide a list of their officials assigned to the evacuation ports of Haiphong and Ho Chi Minh City.

Vietnam also asked China how many ships would make the trip, and how many passengers each could carry.

Guerrilla forces can soon oust Salisbury government, says Nkomo

WASHINGTON, June 19 (R). — Rhodesian nationalist leader Joshua Nkomo said yesterday he thought his forces could win their guerrilla war against the Salisbury government in six to ten months.

"We have reached the hump of battle," Mr. Nkomo said in an interview on CBS television. "It should be finished in six to ten months."

Mr. Nkomo, President of the Zimbabwe African Peoples Union (ZAPU), said his forces were receiving aid from several

countries including the Soviet Union, East Germany and Cuba but denied there were any Cuban troops involved.

"There are no Cubans with us. They are not there," he said. "If I had them, why should I say no?"

Asked about weapons, he replied: "Arms? Of course we do get arms from the Soviets. We get arms from those who give them to us."

Mr. Nkomo said his forces and other black guerrillas would not return to Zimbabwe

(Rhodesia) to take part in elections under the settlement reached by black nationalist groups with Prime Minister Ian Smith.

He said the internal agreement left the white minority government in control of the army, air force and civil service. "The agreement entrenches minority rule, entrenches racism," Mr. Nkomo said.

He said any whites who wanted to remain in Rhodesia after his government comes into power would be safe.

World News Briefs

Spain and China sign trade agreement

PEKING, June 19 (R). — Spain and China signed a trade agreement today near the end of a visit to Peking by King Juan Carlos, the first trip here by a European monarch since the communist state was founded 29 years ago. Spanish sources said the document was only a general agreement on trade relations and did not contain any privileges for either side, but it called for another wider-ranging treaty in the future.

Muhammad Ali meets Brezhnev at Kremlin

MOSCOW, June 19 (R). — Soviet leader Leonid Brezhnev welcomed Muhammad Ali to the Kremlin today with a kiss on both cheeks -- and had the fast-talking boxer almost lost for words. The visiting former world heavyweight champion was left close to speechless when he was ushered in for the unusual "summit" meeting, arranged at short notice. Then he declared: "This is the biggest honour I've ever had in my life."

Fire rages at S.E. Asian natural gas field

JAKARTA, June 19 (R). — Fire raging at Southeast Asia's biggest known natural gas field in Sumatra could take up to 80 days to subside, experts said today. The announcement came as American Red Adair, the world's leading oil fire fighter, started drilling a hole near the blazing gas well in a bid to pump in water and quench the flames.

HORSE RACING results

FIRST RACE :

For local country horses, beginners

Distance : 1,000 metres

THE FIRST : AL HADBA

Owner : Oclah Al Tallak

Time : 1.15.4 minute

THE SECOND : SAADIEH

Owner : Busher Al Sabih

THE THIRD : KHARAZIH

Owner : H.H. Sharif Naser Ibn Jamil

WIN : 200 fils — JD 1.100

TWIN : 500 fils — JD 8

THIRD RACE :

For local country horses

Distance : 1,000 metres

THE FIRST : FITNIH

Owner : Tawfik Ksout

Time : 1.14 minute

THE SECOND : UM AL KALAEED

Owner : A. Al Fattah N. Malhas

THE THIRD : M. SAMER

Owner : Ibrahim Al Jaafari

WIN : 200 fils — JD 2

TWIN : 500 fils — JD 25

FIFTH RACE :

For third class horses

Distance : 1,400 metres

THE FIRST : ASHHAL

Owner : Sami Y. Madros

Time : 1.41.5 minute

THE SECOND : KAHRAMAN

Owner : Rashid Oudeh

THE THIRD : TAJ AL AROUS

Owner : Marwan S. Lallas

WIN : 200 fils — 400 fils

TWIN : 500 fils — JD 20

SECOND RACE :

For beginner horses

Distance : 1,600 metres

THE FIRST : RABDAN

Owner : Sami Y. Madros

Time : 1.58.2 minute

THE SECOND : SHAT AL ARAB

Owner : Faisal Al Faiez

THE THIRD : RAMMAH

Owner : H.H. Sharif Naser Ibn Jamil

WIN : 200 fils — 600 fils

TWIN : 500 fils — JD 3.100

FOURTH RACE :

For third class horses

Distance : 1,400 metres

THE FIRST : WAHIDIH

Owner : H.H. Sharif Naser Ibn Jamil

Time : 1.42 minute

THE SECOND : HOLWAN

Owner : Sami Y. Madros

THE THIRD : OPELLO

Owner : Mousa Salamih

WIN : 200 fils — 300 fils

TWIN : 500 fils — 750 fils

SIXTH RACE :

For second class horses

Distance : 1,600 metres

THE FIRST : IZZ AL KHALI

Owner : Rashid Oudeh

Time : 1.53.1 minute

THE SECOND : FAWWAR

Owner : Sami Y. Madros

THE THIRD : SHIHAN

Owner : Faisal Al Faiez

WIN : 200 fils — 400 fils

TWIN : 500 fils — JD 1.800

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Answer here: A

(Answers tomorrow)

Sunday's Jumbles: ALBUM TWINE HANSOM BEBECK

Answer: Could be strung up by the neck! — BEADS

THE Daily Crossword by Evelyn Benshoof

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|---------------------|------------------------|---------------------------|-------------------------|
| ACROSS | 31 Cumberbund | 52 Gauzy material | 18 Connective tissue |
| 1 Carried on | 32 Blunder | 53 Newt | 22 Useful thing |
| 6 Disconcert | 33 Descendants | 54 Oar | 24 Dingy |
| 11 Ref's kin | 34 Della of song | 55 Fighters against | 26 Deserves |
| 14 Full of verve | 37 Everlasting | 56 England: abbr. | 27 Priceless |
| 15 Gauntlet | 39 Domestic pigeon | 59 Eliminate | 28 Be elated |
| 16 Comrade | 41 Kingdom | 62 Calendar | 33 French river |
| 17 Rejected | 42 Hostilities | 63 Shirt size | 35 Building location |
| 19 Wrath | 43 Possessive | 64 — noun | 36 Otherwise |
| 20 High-strung | 44 Humid | 65 Before drum or muffled | 38 Grassy plain |
| 21 Bow-shaped item | 46 River | 66 Comedied | 39 Comedy |
| 22 — Karenina | 47 Without cost | 67 Expensive | 40 Electric measurement |
| 23 Gives for a time | 48 One who makes up | 68 COURTROOM procedure | 45 College major |
| 25 Tried out | 50 Courtroom procedure | | 47 Glib |
| 27 Onus | | | 48 "What —!" |
| 30 Female rabbit | | | 49 Cotta or firma |

Solution of Sunday's puzzle

SWAMI BAPP EVER
LOPAZ AJAR BILL
ORATE LAGE PENT
PERT JUTAPPOSED
BRAS SKIN
PROMPT SCENES
UNO VEPEY KNAVE
LION TREES THEN
FESTER SALUTE ENP
SHACED LUGGISTS
EDIT ODOE
TRANS CREWS KANE
ASIT TORT PIVOT
LUTH UPAS INEPT
LIZIE WASH AGREE

